



Alpha to Omega:

Following the Golden Thread of Salvation History

At FMC, we are journeying through the Bible together in one year. Join us as we read from a Chronological Bible and explore what God is saying to us through God's Word. Pick up a free Bible in the foyer if you do not have one.

Week 46 Readings

Sunday, February 17: Acts 12:6-14:20, pages 1484-1488

Monday, February 18: Acts 14:21-28, Galatians 1:1-3:23,
pages 1488-1492

Tuesday, February 19: Galatians 3:24-6:18, Acts 15:1-21,
pages 1492-1496

Wednesday, February 20: Acts 15:22-17:15, pages 1497-1500

Thursday, February 21: Acts 17:16-18:3, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5:11,
pages 1500-1504

Friday, February 22: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28, 2 Thessalonians 1:1-3:18,
pages 1504-1508

Saturday, February 23: Acts 18:24-19:20, 1 Corinthians 1:1-3:23,
pages 1508-1512



Happy Birthday!



Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!

***Contact the church office for a
birthday list***



Friendship Mennonite Church Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

February 17, 2013

Gathering

Welcome

Opening Song

Call to Worship

Praising

Songs of Praise

Offering – Kids' Bell Choir

Hearing

A2O Sharing

Scripture Reading

Sermon: Kevin Kanagy

Responding

Responding Song

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Announcements

Sending

Sending Song

Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church! Visiting this week?

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong here. Together we are serving Jesus and looking for God's work in our world.
Come visit again soon!

Announcements

- **Saturday, March 2 - Lent Retreat** All adults are invited to a morning "retreat" of art, poetry, and reflection as we seek to renew our spiritual lives during the season of Lent. (Don't worry if you don't consider yourself an artist or a poet--there will be easy ways for everyone to be involved!) Childcare will be provided. 9:00 am to 12 noon. See **Anita Hooley Yoder** with questions.
- **Pastors Kevin and Nan** will be visiting with family next Sunday, February 24. Pastor Vikki Sorrells from Lee Heights will be preaching.
- **Friendship Vocal Ensemble** will meet for about 45 minutes following today's service. First timers and all others are welcome, and your prompt attendance is appreciated. See **Elizabeth Jones** for more information.
- **Bulletin Information** If you have items for the bulletin, please have them to **Cara Speros** by **Wednesday** evenings at 5:00. You can contact her at secretary@friendmc.org or by calling the church and leaving a message. Thank you!
- **Women's Bible Study!** Join us for a Bible study with Beth Moore's "Stepping Up: a journey through the Psalms of Ascent" on Wednesdays through May. Contact **Rhonda Savage** or **Nan Kanagy** with questions. Please RSVP if you can. Books are \$10 each. Childcare is provided.
- **Children's SS Offering** - Children's Sunday school classes will join the adult classes in collecting an offering. Leadership Team approved that the children's offering will go towards developing the new children's curriculum, Shine, which will replace Gather 'Round in the fall of 2014. We are excited that two of our congregation members work for MennoMedia – **Amy Gingerich**, who is Director of Media, and **Anita Hooley Yoder**, curriculum writer.
- **Church Life Meeting Minutes** from the meeting on January 24th are available in your church mailbox this morning.
- **Additional Giving from last Sunday:** Sunday School: \$12.31; Meals on Wheels: \$5.00; MCC Meat Canner: \$20.00.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: Amy Gingerich

Song Leader: Nan Kanagy

Piano: Nan Kanagy

Usher: Tim Savage

Sunday School Nursery: Chris Coblentz

Greeter: Ryan Claassen

Sound: Ben Yoder

PowerPoint: Ben Yoder

Worship Nursery: Angela Thornton Sunday Building Trustee: C Coblentz

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: Jonathan Witmer-Rich

Song Leader: J Witmer-Rich

Usher: Elizabeth Jones

Greeter: Licia Griffin

Sunday School Nursery: Jen Prough

Worship Nursery: Licia Griffin

Sunday Building Trustee: Ben Speros

Looking Ahead

TODAY

Wednesday, February 20

Vocal Ensemble practice after Worship

Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm

Administrative Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Saturday, March 2

Lent Retreat

Sunday, March 3

Potluck Meal after Worship

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:

\$1382.25

Weekly Budget:

\$1371.00

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Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ!

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